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SUBJECT: FRG ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO PDRY

1. FRG SECOND SECRETARY MUEHLEN, WHO RETURNED IN EARLY DEC FROM ADEN (WHERE HE IS TO BE ASSIGNED IN FEB AS CHARGE D'AFFAIRES), TOLD ME DEC 21 THAT HE, IN COMPANY WITH ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE DELEGATION FROM BONN, HAD SIGNED PROTOCOL DURING VISIT PROVIDING FOR DM TEN MILLION IN FRG PROJECT ASSISTANCE TO PDRY, HALF FROM CY 74 FUNDS AND HALF FROM CY 75. FUNDS ARE TO BE USED FOR SEWER PROJECT IN ADEN CITY. MUEHLEN COMMENTED THAT HE HAD HAD SOME VERY DIFFICULT MOMENTS WITH PDRY NEGOTIATORS WHO HAD DEMANDED DM 50 MILLION IMMEDIATELY, TO INCLUDE RECONSTRUCTION KHORMAKSAR AIRPORT IN ADEN. FRG TEAM REALIZING SENSITIVITY OF LATTER, ESPECIALLY EFFECT ON RELATIONS WITH OMAN, HAD DEMURRED AND AGREED INSTEAD ON NON-SENSITIVE SEWER PROJECT. MUEHLEN THOUGHT THAT HIGH SUM DEMANDED WAS PARTLY RESULT OF APPARENT RECENT AGREEMENT BY DANISH GOVERNMENT TO PROVIDE FIFTEEN MILLION KRONERS IN PROJECT ASSISTANCE TO PDRY (POSSIBLY FOR FISHERIES

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PROJECT), LATTER APPARENTLY REASONING THAT IF DENMARK COULD

GIVE THAT MUCH, FRG COULD GIVE MUCH MORE.

2. MUEHLEN SAID PDRY NEGOTIATORS HAD BEEN EXTREMELY NAIVE, ALTERNATING BETWEEN EUPHORIA AND ANGER. THEY HAD BEEN EXTREMELY UPSET THAT TEAM COULD NOT SIGN OR EVEN INITIAL BASIC TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT WHICH WAS STILL UNDER NEGOTIATION. APPARENT REASON PDRY REACTION WAS THAT FONMIN MUTI' WANTED TO HAVE TWO WEST GERMAN AGREEMENTS IN POCKET FOR TRIP TO ABU DHABI, AS DEMONSTRATION PDRY ATTEMPTS AT "MODERATION".
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